

**NAVAL MEDICALCENTER
SAN DIEGO, CA 92134**

*Mental Health Services
Description of Clinical Clerkship Training*

Inpatient Psychiatry (updated 22 Feb 13)

Goals and Objectives:

- Ability to interview psychiatric patients to obtain a complete range of relevant biological, psychological, and social information in an effective and efficient manner.
- Ability to perform a thorough physical examination, including a complete mental status and neurological examination.
- Ability to communicate effectively, orally and in writing, the results obtained from patients' interview and physical examination.
- Ability to recognize when one's own knowledge base is insufficient and to then seek supervision.
- Ability to formulate a working diagnosis and differential diagnosis on each patient.
- Ability to formulate a psychosocial assessment for each patient.
- Ability to relate to patients and their families, as well as other members of the health care team, with compassion, respect and professional integrity.
- Ability to develop an individualized treatment plan with specific outcome objectives based on the needs of the patient and the availability of resources.
- Ability to document and chart patients' treatment and progress in an effective, communicative, timely, and appropriate medical-legal fashion.
- Undertake the initial clinical and laboratory studies of patients presenting with broad range of common medical/psychiatric disorders.

Supervision: The overall experience of the fourth year clinical clerkship in Inpatient Psychiatry is monitored and supervised by the Director of Psychiatry Residency Training. The clinical clerk is assigned to work as part of a multidisciplinary team consisting of psychiatry, psychology, social work, psychiatric nursing, and recreation therapist. Detailed supervision is provided directly by the attending psychiatrist in the team.